

GERMANS BLOW UP GUNBOAT

SEA RAIDERS OFF U. S. COAST

U. S. Navy Patrol Sights Enemy
Craft Off Nantucket and Nor-
folk—Shipping Warned.

INTERRED GUNBOAT BLOWN UP

(By Associated Press Leased Wire.)
Washington, April 7.—The interned German gunboat *Cormorant* at Guam has been blown up.

The *Cormorant* refused to surrender to the American forces, which went to take possession of her and was destroyed by her crew. Two German warrant officers and five enlisted men of the crew were killed in the explosion.

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The navy department's announcement said:

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The message was received at the navy department at 9 a. m. today from Capt. Roy Smith, governor of Guam and commandant of the naval station there.

The destruction of the *Cormorant* took place at 10 o'clock last night, Washington time.

Washington, April 7.—Reports of German commerce raiders off Atlantic ports were flashed along the seaboard today and all shipping practically was tied up while patrols went out to establish the identity of mysterious ships reported near the lanes.

It was the first breath of war at the coast since the capture of the *Arcturion* lightship which saw a strange ship passing west at 7:10 o'clock this morning and promptly reported it.

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SLAVS OFFER GERMANS PEACE TO DETHRONE KAISER

(By Associated Press Leased Wire.)

Petrograd, April 7, via London, 5:51 p. m.—Minister of Justice Kerensky said in an interview today that if the German people would follow the Russian example and dethrone their emperor, they offer the possibility of preliminary negotiations.

BAR MAILS TO GERMANY

(By Associated Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, April 7.—Postmaster General Burleson today suspended mail service to Germany during the war and also instructed all post-offices to refuse as well as any mail destined for Austria-Hungary, Luxembourg, Bulgaria and Turkey, as it cannot be dispatched at present without passing through Germany.

Mr. Burleson also has suspended postal money orders between the United States and the German empire. International money order offices will decline to pay orders drawn up on them by German offices on and after April 6.

WARN OF WHEAT CROP SHORTAGE

Find 50,000,000 Bu. Less
Than 1916, Furnishing First
U. S. War Problem.

HUGE CROP OF RYE SEEN

(By Associated Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, April 7.—A prospective slump of more than 50,000,000 bushels in the winter wheat crop, as compared with last year's crop, is the first war feeding problem to confront the country. Official estimates of the department of agriculture today forecast that much of a decrease, although the acreage is much greater.

The food problem of the coming year being one of the paramount questions affecting the United States in the war, extraordinary interest centered in the government's report today showing the condition and production forecast of the winter wheat crop planted last autumn.

The extent of the winter wheat crop, usually about two-thirds of the total production of wheat in the United States, is a vital question inasmuch as the allies will depend to a large degree upon American supplies and Argentina has placed an embargo on wheat and flour exports.

Unusually Large Acreage.
The winter wheat area last autumn was 40,000,000 acres, one of the largest averages ever planted. How much of this acreage will have to be abandoned because of conditions which prevailed during the winter, has been a cause of much speculation. Reports from different sources reached in the department of agriculture have indicated that there was some killing of winter wheat in many sections of Kentucky, Tennessee, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas, and of hard red winter wheat in the western and southern states.

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U. S. PLANNING TO FINANCE WAR

To Give Entente Allies \$2,000,000 Credit and Take
Up Their War Bonds.

\$3,400,000 FOR U. S. USE

(By Associated Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, April 7.—Plans for financing the war were discussed today by Secretary McAdoo with members of the house ways and means committee and with Chairman Simmons of the senate finance committee.

The \$2,400,000,000 already asked for the army and navy is expected to suffice, in addition to the regular army appropriation bills, until June 30, 1918.

The step considered most important now is the extension of an immense credit to the entente allies—probably at least \$2,000,000,000—as an indication that the nation is going into the war to the limit with the resources now readily available.

Revised Budget Plan.
Revised under such a plan would be issued to take over bonds of the allies, making them in effect security for those obligations. Most of the money derived from such bonds, it is expected, would be spent in the United States.

It was of that sort of a bond issue that has not been worked out but it is expected legislation to provide for it will be presented to congress soon.

On the question of taxation, congress leaders feel that the burden of the war should be about equally divided between taxation and bond issue.

It was said today there would be no attempt to drain the wealth of the country by enormous increases in the income and corporation taxes and a higher tax on excess profits but it was declared wealth would be forced to share its portion of the burden.

"The young men of the country," said Chairman Simmons, "are going to risk their lives in this war and the wealthy who may not be able to risk theirs should contribute from their wealth."

It was said that increases in the income and other taxes, whether there should be a revival of stamp taxes or other pay days and the proportion to be maintained between taxation and bond issues have not been determined.

Chairman Simmons said he expected to go to work at once on consideration of revenue suggestions but that his committee would not meet to frame a bill until one had been reported to the house.

House Meets Monday.
Plans of the house leaders today were to go to a brief session Monday to concur in the senate amendment to the general deficiency bill providing for a special fund of \$100,000,000 for disposal by the president and then adjournment until next Thursday to permit the committee to frame the bill.

Representative Rainey of Illinois, ranking democrat of the ways and means committee, in the absence of Representative Kitchin will act as majority leader and meanwhile confer with Secretary McAdoo on finance measures.

War Machine in Making.
The second day of war with Germany found every government agency in action along predetermined lines, with congressional committees at work on the new army bill and finance measures.

The navy and its newly organized power boat patrol squadrons were being mobilized; naval militia and naval reserves were complying with orders to join the colors.

From many cities came word that United States marshals had carried out orders of the department of justice for arrest of 56 Germans whom the government believes it dangerous to allow at large.

Officials had about determined to use the German merchantships, nearly 100 of which have been seized for government service, the no announcement was made whether they would be confiscated or paid for at the close of the war.

Government seizure of all radio stations and the closing of all except those needed for naval communication was authorized by President Wilson.

Buy Quantities of Supplies.
Both the war and navy departments were arranging with contractors to furnish enormous quantities of supplies; steel manufacturers agreed to furnish the navy their product at last year's prices, effecting an \$18,000,000 saving in the navy's 1917 steel bill; the treasury department devised means of raising funds, subject to congressional authorization; and the department of agriculture set forth on a movement to increase and conserve the nation's supply of food stuffs and to simplify distribution.

Many other similar activities were started after the cabinet's counsel of war last night.

The house military committee met today to hear Secretary Baker's ex-

RAIN OR SNOW TONIGHT AND SUNDAY, FORECAST

UNPLEASANT WEATHER FOR
EASTER FORECAST.

The weather forecast for Chicago and vicinity: Rain or snow tonight and Sunday, continued, cool, fresh to strong northeast to east winds shifting to northwest Sunday.

Sunrise, 5:32 a. m.; sunset, 6:22 p. m.; moonrise, 8:03 p. m. Sunday.

Temperature for 24 hours preceding 12 noon, 4 to 64; maximum, 49; minimum, 30; mean, 35; normal for the day, 45; deficiency since January 1, 29.

"Zimmie"

Beacon Lights

USED AUTO SEASON HERE.
The demand has started for bargains in used automobiles. Dr. G. W. Putnam reports having sold his Buick for \$1,500 for the battle fleet.

NAVY WANTS MEN.
Editor Aurora Beacon-News, April 7, 1917.
Aurora, Ill.

War action by congress makes imperative the instant recruiting of 25,500 men for the navy. President Wilson has called on northern Illinois for 1,500 for the battle fleet.

CUBA AND BRAZIL
WILL DECLARE WAR

(By Associated Press Leased Wire.)

London, April 7, 4:25 a. m.—The Central News says it is semi-officially informed that a declaration of war by Brazil against Germany may be expected by Monday.

New York, April 7.—The Cuban congress tonight is expected to declare that a state of war exists between Cuba and the Imperial German government, according to a cable message from E. R. Espinosa, private secretary to President Moncalvo, to the republic of Cuba news bureau here.

LEAVES THE HOSPITAL
E. E. Spangler of Loveland, who was operated upon at the Aurora City hospital two weeks ago, was taken to his home today. The operation was entirely successful and he expects to be out again with his old time vigor in a short while.

Mr. Spangler is loud in his praises of the hospital and is thankful to his friends for their many attentions. With his accustomed cheerfulness he quotes the old saying, "This world is not so bad a world as some would like to make it, for whether bad or whether good depends on how we take it."

planation of the army general staff bill to draft and train 1,000,000 young men within a year and the accompanying \$3,000,000,000 budget, all of which had President Wilson's announced approval. The senate military committee also had the army bill under consideration today.

It seemed likely today that a large part of the war's cost, which for the first year alone may run far above the \$2,000,000,000, already asked of congress, even to \$3,000,000,000 will be raised by higher taxes on incomes, inheritance and excess profits.

"We Must Be Loyal to Our Country"

The following editorial in last week's issue of the Daily Volksfreund by Editor Peter Klein, expresses well the attitude of the German-Americans of Aurora and vicinity.

"WE MUST BE LOYAL TO OUR COUNTRY."
The unexpected has happened. America has been declared in a state of war with Germany. Under the leadership of President Wilson and his cabinet, both houses of congress have so decided.

The Volksfreund had been hoping up to within a few months that this would be averted, but the die having been cast, it is now the duty of every citizen, no matter where he may hail from, to be loyal to his country to the end. The way may be a long and arduous one, but the end is in sight. America, this glorious republic, for whose preservation and future welfare 748,000 German-Americans fought in the great

GERMAN WRITER CALLS WILSON UNPRINCIPLED

(By Associated Press Leased Wire.)

Amsterdam, April 7, via London, 3:40 a. m.—Major Morath, in the Deutsche Tages Zeitung, writes an abusive article on what he calls President Wilson's attempt to provoke a Russo-German dissension over the submarine war. He calls the president's message, among other things, hideously hypocritical, unprincipled and untruthful. "People like Wilson," he says, "can only be converted by sheer force."

Major Morath is uncertain as to whether America's entrance into the war will prolong the struggle but he expresses the hope that the German navy will inflict all possible damage on America and thus "spoil the game of the American financiers." He concludes that the thing most desirable now is that Germany should remain united.

The Koelische Zeitung, after a resume of the war operations, concludes:

"America, paradoxical tho it may seem, has been hitherto a more dangerous adversary than, say Italy, because of her munition supplies to the enemy."

The Rheinische Westfalische Zeitung says:

"America's entry into the war causes us no special heart burning. We are used to fighting the whole world."

FALL OUT OF CRIB
KILLS LITTLE GIRL

Fifteen Months Old Daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Shoger
Dies Near Oswego.

Gretchen, the 15-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Shoger, living near Oswego, fell out of her crib at bedtime Tuesday evening, striking the head of her head on a nail, fracturing the skull, and died Thursday morning.

The child had been placed in bed and the side of the crib had been accidentally left down. The child fell out of the crib while asleep. After the accident the husband was called to the bedside and soon left to sleep for the remainder of the night.

A physician was called Wednesday morning and the child was able to play about and it was not thought that her injuries were serious. Later she lapsed into unconsciousness and passed away Thursday morning.

REPORT AUSTRIA
BREAKS WITH U. S.

(By Associated Press Leased Wire.)

London, April 7, 6:45 a. m.—Passports have been placed at the disposal of the American embassy in Vienna, according to dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from the Hague quoting telegrams received there from the Austrian capital. The dispatch says Bulgaria and Turkey have also decided to break with the United States and that Holland will probably look after Austrian interests in the United States and American interests in Vienna.

No Words in Washington.
Washington, April 7.—Word that the Austro-Hungarian foreign office had placed passports at the disposal of the American embassy at Vienna had not reached the Austrian embassy here early today, according to Prince Hohenlohe-Schillinghorst, one of the embassy attaches.

MAY WHEAT PRICE SOARS
TO A NEW RECORD AT \$2.14

(By Associated Press Leased Wire.)

Chicago, April 7.—Accepting wheat crop conditions shown by the government report as a calamity, the wheat market advanced dramatically from \$1.80 to \$2.14 for May options, 12 1/2c for September. July advanced 12 1/2c. May corn sold up 5 1/2c and May oats 1 1/2c.

It was only this week that May wheat, responding to private estimates of crop damage, marked an epoch in prices by selling at \$2. Yesterday was a holiday on the board of trade, but Thursday May wheat closed at \$2.05 1/2.

The opening today touched \$2.07 1/2 and this was followed by a decline to \$2.04 1/2 on the appearance of the sea rider. Then came the government report and the jump to new records.

May sold to \$2.14 and fluctuated wildly, a half and a full cent at a time around that level. July shot up to \$1.85 and September to \$1.75.

Traders in the pit were madly excited. The excitement included other pits. May corn, which closed Thursday at \$1.27, sold to \$1.32. May oats which closed previously at 64 1/2c, climbed to 65 1/2c.

THE THIRD GETS MORE RECRUITS

"Volunteer, Before You Are
Drafted," and "Join Your
Home Regiment," the Word.

EXPECTING RUSH TONIGHT

The officers of Companies D and I, Third regiment, anticipate a rush of recruits to the army in Island avenue tonight and will have their offices open early. A campaign has been started to enlist 200 Aurora recruits in Colonel Greene's command before the order to mobilize is received.

Four recruits, whose names will not be made public by the officers until tonight, were enlisted last night. They will be given the physical examination as soon as more are enlisted.

"Volunteer Before Draft," Word.
"Join your home regiment before you are drafted," is the slogan adopted by the local militiamen. It is planned to have signs printed and placed about the business district.

The army will not be open days until after orders from Springfield are received, it has been announced by Colonel Greene.

Calm Is Surprising.
"It is surprising how calmly our people are taking the war declaration," Colonel Greene said today. "At the time of the outbreak in the Spanish-American war there was not a business house or residence that did not have at least one flag aloft to the winds. Unless something like the sinking of the Maine happens I expect the recruiting to be slow."

No orders of any kind have been received today from Adjutant-General Dickson, Colonel Greene said.

Men's Word for Cantillon
"Men," James McCredie said last night in addressing a crowd at Fourth avenue and Jackson street, "you have heard a lot about your city taxes. How they are higher by 25 per cent and how Mayor Harley says they are not higher. I don't ask you take my word against Mayor Harley's. Look at your tax receipt or that of your neighbor. The figures are there. Just buy much you paid for city taxes and how much for other taxes."

You will see then whether you are paying 120 for city taxes as they tell you. It may also give you an idea of how much faith to put in other statements they make.

Know No Obstacles.
"You know that there has been a shortage and waste in the city hall. I think you realize that you are not getting a dollar's worth of service for the dollar you pay. I pledge you that if I am elected city employee will give a dollar's worth of service for every dollar they receive."

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HECK ESTATE TO KIN IN GERMANY AFTER WAR

(By Associated Press Leased Wire.)

Four beneficiaries of the late Gothard Heck, saloonkeeper of Aurora, reside in Germany and the late Mr. Heck in his will directs that these four beneficiaries are not to get the bequest until after the European war is ended.

It is believed that he made this direction that they may have the money after the war is ended, as under war conditions their money might be taxed heavily.

Mr. Heck left an estate valued at \$24,000 and his bequests to relatives total \$27,000. The schedule shows personal property of \$20,000 and real estate worth \$3,000.

Mrs. Annie Heck Linden was appointed executrix and trustee and is directed to distribute the estate as follows:

To my sister, Margaret Heck Meyers, \$5,000.
To my sister, Angeline Heck Pelsch, \$5,000.
To my sister, Magdalene Heck Akerd, \$5,000.

The four are residents of Germany. Other bequests were: To John Heck, \$1,000; Lena Heck, \$1,000; Gertrude Settle, \$1,000; Susan Heck, \$1,000; Marie Casper, \$1,000.

"LOOK AT YOUR
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"Don't Accept My Word
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AURORA HOME BUILDERS'

SELECTING LOT FOR HOME SITE

Importance of Harmonious
Environment, Recognized
Psychological Fact.

AUTOMOBILE IS BIG FACTOR

(George H. Skidmore, Architect.)
In no other country in the world are the big majority of the population so well and comfortably housed, as in the United States. In so far as living in quarters are concerned, kings and princes of a few centuries ago lived in less luxury and comfort than do our common people of today. Indeed if I were to select the most vital of all our numerous channels of business I should give to the home-building game the first place. The lot for two or three hundred workers employed therein, and the sum total of happiness secured thereby.

Fast Number Employed.

The number of men who are employed and to whom wages are paid in the making of homes, is very much greater than would appear at first glance. Consider the woodwork alone. Consider the vast number of hands that are free in the forest must pass through its transformation from wild state to finished door or window casing. From lumber jack to finishing carpenter is a far cry. Volumes of fiction could be written around one piece of two-by-four that forms one part of one partition or one wall in a single bungalow. The combined skill and energy of many red-blooded men is required in the process that changes a tree into a log, binds the log into a raft, floats the raft to a mill, fashions the log into "dimension stuff," and finally constructs from the dimension stuff the framework of a home. And not only are the skill and energy of physical labor required to work this transformation of forest trees into finished houses; into it also must go the brains of architect, engineer, inventor and financier, after the brains and brawn of evolution from tree to lumberjack have completed their heroic and romantic work.

Materials Life Study.
As it is with the wood, with all of the various and numerous raw materials, so called, that enter into the modern home. From pigment to painted wall is a life-time study. To trace back the fashioning of plumbing and bathroom fixtures would place you in touch with group after group of hard-working wage earners. So with the cement, the plaster on the walls, the brick, the roof, the glass in the windows, to the nails that we never see and the finished hardware that we handle every day. The lighting, heating, furniture, rugs and carpets, all have a story to tell of labor well and faithfully rendered from the time that they were wrested from their native state to the time that they were assigned their part in the comfort of that place called "home."

And what word in all our language is so expressive as that one word "Home." Home is our sanctuary, our retreat, the place for which we play the business-game, and the responsibility for happy lives. The importance of harmonious environment is a psychological fact too well established to need demonstrating here. If our home presents a medley of incongruous arrangements, clashing color schemes and incongruous details, then our rest is disturbed and our happiness so much the less complete.

Certain Features to Be Watched.
It often happens that the designer or the builder must furnish or procure a lot upon which to build a home for a client, or that he wishes to purchase a lot upon which to build a speculation. In either case, at the time of selection, certain features should be kept in mind. In the first case these features should be kept in mind, so that the client may always feel satisfied with the purchase. A satisfied client is reputation's strongest prop, while a dissatisfied client is a knocker forever. In the second case these features should be kept in mind as a matter of self-protection; for a well-built house on a poorly-selected lot may lie vacant for months.

In the selection of the site, accessibility will, perhaps, be the first feature to be considered. Also the automobile and the trolley have added in bringing the outlying districts closer to the centers of business and amusement, distance still plays an important part in home-building. If the prospective client does not own a machine, do not fool him as to the running schedule time of the trolley, nor as to the distance that must be walked from the trolley line to the building site. A long walk, especially if unexpected and uphill will soon become tiresome to the "women-folk." And after all were it not for the "women-folk," most of us would not care to build a home. Satisfy the ladies and you will build for their friends.

The elevation of the several sites to be selected from should receive critical attention. You should note the fog of the lowlands and the winds of the heights, and you should satisfy yourself as to the surface drainage during the rainy season. You should also remember to consider the soil conditions in relation to a profitable rose garden and vegetable patch.

Schools, Light, Etc., Factor.
Everywhere, of course, you find schools, street work, water, electricity, gas, telephone service and probably sewerage. You should not forget to inquire about the general plan attached to these improvements, and you should look into the matter of fire protection.

Satisfied on all these points and assured that the neighborhood is free

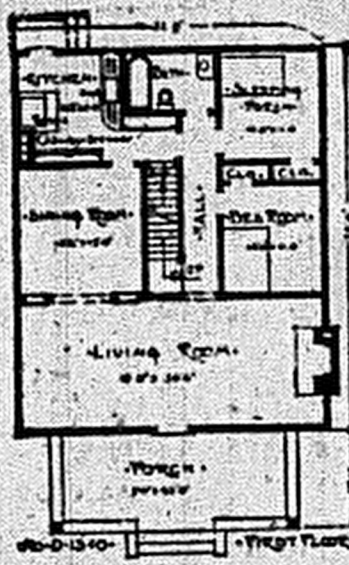
"HOMES OF CHARACTER"

Semi Bungalow—Design No. D-1340



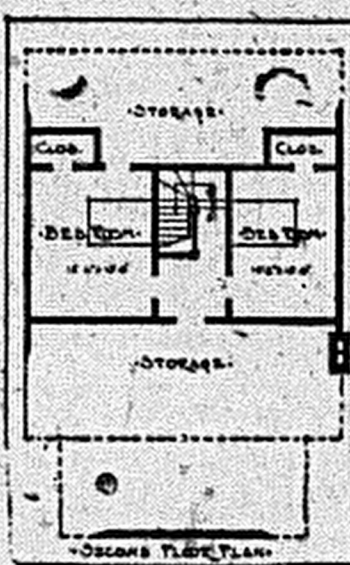
The above is a charming bungalow for a suburban home. It is of regular frame construction, with a veneer of brick to the sill line of the first story windows, and stucco on metal lath above. These two materials give a harmonious combination of color and texture.

Below is an arrangement of rooms suggested for this attractive elevation, a particularly noteworthy feature of which is the large living room extending across the entire front of the house. A large fireplace is built in at one end, and directly opposite the entrance door is an archway to the hall communicating with the bedrooms and bath. At the end of the hall is a sleeping porch or sun room provided with swing sash and screens.



The dining room is very pleasant, and is separated from the living room by a screen of post and panel construction. To the rear a door opens into the kitchen which is most conveniently arranged. Generous dresser room is provided, also an inside stairway to the basement. Under the kitchen and bath is a laundry with wood floor. Provision is made for a hot air heating and ventilating system.

Exclusive of heating, plumbing, electric work, and decorations, this house is estimated to cost \$2,500.



A Six Room Bungalow

Sometimes we wonder whether municipal engineering has kept up with home building. Under the head of municipal work may be included the building and care of streets, sidewalks and public property as well as the detail connected with public utilities, such as water, sewers, gas, electricity, telephones, etc.

The economical operation of the above mentioned work requires, first, a gridiron plan of streets and alleys, regardless of the lay of the land or scenic features. Hills must be leveled, no matter how inspiring the view from the top. Ravines must be filled in notwithstanding their value for nature study.

The land thus "cleared" must then be subdivided according to its frontage value. The first foot in all that counts except in corner lots. This has brought about the narrow lot extending back 100 to 300 feet, although the real building value consists of the 25 to 50 foot frontage.

Localities remote from "improvements" can have as much frontage as desired. It adds little to the cost, but where every value, taxes, assessments, etc., are charged on "frontage" one strives to plan the home that the narrow edge is presented to the street, hiding the sides on, at least, not considering their appearance except from the front of the narrow lot.

Some communities overcome this difficulty in planning "bungalow courts" in which several artistic bungalows face the center of a block of two or more lots rather than the street. This plan has its advantages.

From objectionables, you are ready to inquire into real estate values, past, present and also future, for it is always desirable to purchase property that will increase in value as time rolls on. If you find these features consistent with the purchase price, terms, asked, interest required and the taxes, then your search has narrowed down to the selection of your own particular piece of land.



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mainly it is the room where real hospitality is enjoyed. The built-in china closet cares for this part of the household equipment while the room is best lighted by the bay window or octagon bay.

One of the disadvantages of the ordinary bungalow is the absence of a guest room. Of course, in the city, hotels are handy and there is less need of the room now than formerly. The contingency is taken care of here by the front bedroom, often which may be used as a den or study when not required for its principal use. It adds a room when required and can be closed off at other times.

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RECORD CHANGES IN REAL ESTATE

AURORA—March 31, J. F. Thorwath to N. W. Olinger wd pt 1/2 blk 2 str town, \$1,000. March 31, D. A. Thompson to John C. Lason wd pt 1/2 blk 11, \$1,000. March 31, M. A. Olinger & Hester to J. F. Thorwath wd pt 1/2 blk 5, \$1,000.

BATAVIA—March 31, City to Caroline E. Porter cash d.

ELGIN—March 31, Charles Marchhoff to Illinois Conference of Evangelists, Church qd pt 1/2 blk 5 str town, \$1,000. March 31, Gertrude M. Graham to Andrew Royall wd pt 1/2 blk 22, P. J. Kimball Jr. third adn, \$100. March 31, P. W. Joslyn to D. C. Delaney wd pt 1/2 blk 2, Central Park adn, \$1. March 31, P. W. Fay to William Klahn wd pt 1/2 blk 2, W. C. & W. H. Kimball fourth adn, \$1,000. March 31, William Klahn to Peter Otto Schmidt wd pt 1/2 blk 2, Beckinger adn, \$1,000.

GENEVA—March 31, R. C. Richards to Geneva Foundry & Machine Co. It 1/2 blk 8 Wilcox, \$250. March 31, Joseph Rossi to same It 1/2, \$2,500. March 31, E. E. DeVoi to same It 1/2, \$1,100. March 31, Charles Lindquist to same E. A. \$100.

HANOVER—March 31, C. S. Lovell to P. Young wd pt 1/2, \$200.

SUGAR GROVE—March 31, Harvey Gusual to George Stainfield ad mas d und sixth-pt sec 22, \$225.

VIRGIN—March 31, E. J. H. Richardson to Millie McNaughton qd pt 1/2 blk 4 sec 8, \$1. March 31, Millie McNaughton to Charles J. Hallman, same, \$2,400.

REAL ESTATE TRANS.

AURORA—March 31, Barbara Poes to Nicholas Tull pt 1/2 blk 15 Woodruff's adn, \$1. N. E. Schiltz to same ex d same, March 31, Harvey Gusual to Peter Otto Schmidt wd pt 1/2 blk 2, Hoyt Bros., \$1,300.

BURLINGTON—March 31, Egnata Vogel to J. W. Waughan wd pt sec 8, \$10.

DUNDRE—March 31, William Puffert to Frank Puffert qd It 1/2 blk 21-22 blk 3 Edwards' adn, \$1. March 31, Frank Puffert to Ida Puffert, same.

ELGIN—March 31, George T. Larson to Ada Salmons wd It 1/2 blk 4 amended plat Bowen Heights. March 31, Ada Salmons to G. T. Larson and w.

GENEVA—March 31, W. A. Richardson to H. B. Fargo w 1/2 It 1/2 blk 22, \$1.

HAMPSHIRE—March 31, Mary E. Olson to Charles Brooks wd 10 ac av 1/4 ne 1/4, sec 26, \$10.

Fred Fulton, Jess Willard's rival, will meet Carl Morris in a 10-round bout in New York tonight.

ST. CHARLES—March 31, Eliza H. Fellows et al to Elmer J. Fellows pt 1/2 blk 2, \$1.

AURORA—April 2, Fredrick Ray to C. A. Bennett wd It 1/2 blk 22 South Bend adn, \$1. March 31, W. Wilson to James Powell Jr. wd pt 1/2 blk 10 Wilder's amended, \$1. April 2, G. A. Anderson to L. H. Hick & w wd It 1/2 blk 1 Arlington Heights, \$1. March 31, Arthur Blanford to R. L. Peterson and w It 1/2 blk 24 County Clerk's sub, Trask's sub, \$1. March 31, Jesse E. Farnsworth to Ole Anderson and w It 1/2 blk 2 Farnsworth's adn, \$1. March 31, A. C. Boedewig to H. A. Rockach wd It 1/2 blk 10 Baker-Norton, \$1. March 31, A. C. Boedewig to H. A. Rockach wd It 1/2 blk 4 Highland adn, \$1. April 2, P. A. Mc-

Building Suggestion

(By J. P. Emmert.)

The majority of the suggestions and plans given to the public thru our magazines are principally for the man with the "fat purse," and for this reason I will endeavor to put into words a few of the simple things I have often seen in different places, and some additions that would be practical, with but little effort on the part of the carpenter.

Seven out of 12 houses that have been built in our immediate neighborhood during the past season have been finished with hardly a thought for the convenience of the pantry with plenty of light and ventilation. There seems to be a demand for a little light, but not a sufficient quantity to insure against the microbes and germs that thrive in the darker places. For scientific light and ventilation in a pantry four by six feet, a window two by four feet is none too large and even larger is not entirely out of place. This window should be so built and finished that it can be lowered from the top or raised from the bottom, so the ventilation from the top carries off the poisonous air which always goes up, while the fresh air comes in at the bottom and keeps up a good circulation. An airing of about fifteen or twenty minutes a day during the

cold months is sufficient, and in the warmer months it should be open all the time, both day and night. When cupboards are built in the pantry, they should be placed in such a position that when the sun shines in thru the window it will penetrate every corner, if such is possible from the position of the pantry. Shelves should be removed often and aired. This is easy to do if the shelf boards are not made to fit too closely.

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Movie Notes

Not Afraid of Cows. "I want emphatically understood that I am not afraid of a cow," smiled Marie Dore, the charming Lasky star as she sat at lunch under a tree during the noonday pause while filming some exterior scenes for "Castles for Two." "I may be afraid of toads and snakes, but I am not afraid of cows as 'Castles for Two' tries to show, and I am making this statement to the world so that this gross libel will be offset. Of course," she said, "this doesn't include all cows; for example, it doesn't include wild-eyed, long-horned, creatures that run around in herds out here, nor does it include bulls that stick their heads down and snort, and throw the dirt up with their feet. It includes nice, ladylike cows that stand under trees, in pools, chew their cud, and behave in a perfectly reasonable and quiet manner. I am not afraid of them at all. I have come close to the fence and patted them many times, and as for the cow who chased me up the tree in the picture, she and I were on very good terms. I patted her warm, moist nose, and even rubbed her back with a stick and the cow was even more frightened than I was supposed to be when she chased me up the tree. I like my part in 'Castles for Two' because I not only have an opportunity to wear some beautiful clothes, but when I was posing as an Irish servant, we had some lovely times on location. Of course the water was cold when I went wading, but it always seems so plucky to come out into the woods and play around in front of the camera, and lay out the lunch under some wide-spreading tree. Now I must go back and climb that tree once more."

Norma Talmadge has begun work on "Poppy," by Cynthia Stockley.

Elsie Hammerstein, who made a distinct success in her first screen appearance in "The Argy Case," with Robert Warwick, has been engaged as leading woman for the same star in "The Modern Othello."

Carmen Phillips, well known as a vaudeville actress, has been engaged by the Lasky company to play the heavy role in support of Vivian Martin and Jessue Hayakawa in a production which will be staged by Paramount under the direction of Robert Thornby.

Contrary to previous bulletins, Margaret Dillington and Fannie Ward are not to exchange directors. Miss Dillington will continue under the direction of Frank Belcher, and George McFarland will remain as Miss Ward's director. This decision was reached

A Matinee Jol



DONALD BRIAN, FAMOUS PLAYERS-PARAMOUNT STAR.

Donald Brian, comedian and matinee idol and left wing of the "Donald and Julia and Joe" trio in the stage success, "By Bill," is starred by the

because of the excellent work which the respective directors have done for their stars, and it was deemed best to have the players continue under the supervision of those directors whom they understand best.

Herbert Brenon's third Selznick picture will be Louis Joseph Vance's fascinating story, "The Lone Wolf," the exterior scenes for which are now being made by Mr. Brenon in New Orleans.

Miss Florence Reed, who is the star of "The Eternal Sin," has scored a big individual hit in the New York

legitimate seasons, as Tina, a vampire of ancient Jerusalem, in the spectacular drama, "The Wanderer."

At the Theaters

PALM—Tonight—Gail Kane in a drama of marriage and motherhood, "As Man Made Her."

ORPHEUM—Tonight—"The Money Mill," with Dorothy Kelly. Also "Patria" (Episode 11).

STRAND—Tonight—June Caprice in the Fox photodrama "A Child of the Wild." Also a comedy.

FOX—Tonight—Dorothy Dalton in "Chicken Casey."

STAR—Tonight—Mary Anderson in "The Old Fourth Ward," and a Ham and Had comedy, "The Model Janitor."

The Selznick-Pictures corporation offers the list of its releases for the first six months of its existence as proof of its sincere determination to maintain a fixed high standard. This list is: "The Common Law," "War Brides," "The Foolish Virgin," "Patria," "The Argy Case," "The Price She Paid," "The Eternal Sin." The following are now being created for early release: "The Law of Compensation," "The Silent Master," "The Eastest Way," "The Lone Wolf," "Why I Left My Husband."

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Betty Schade and Lee Hill have the principal roles in a three-reel picture called "Love is King." The story was written by Willard Mack.

Ruth Sutherland is working on a three-reel version of the story called "Rosaling at Redgate," which was written by the well-known author Meredith Nicholson. Miss Sutherland is directing the production and playing the principal role herself.

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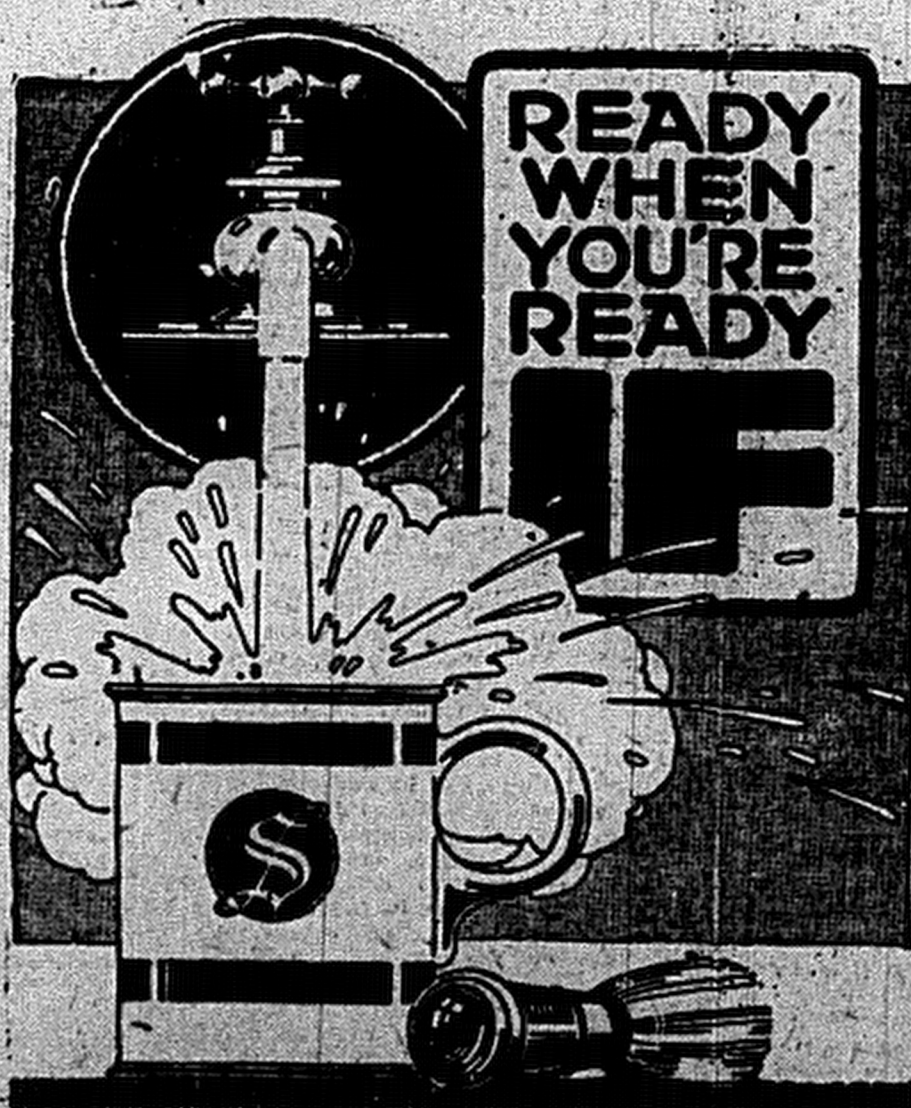
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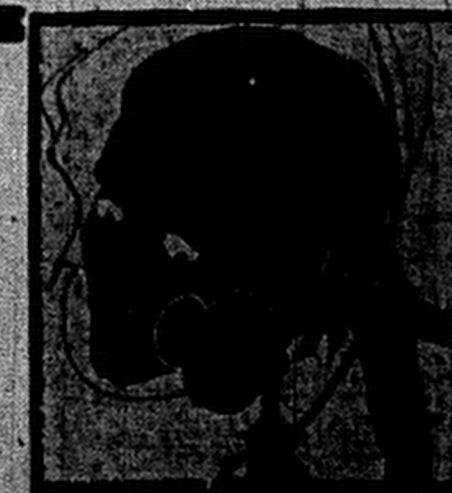
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